

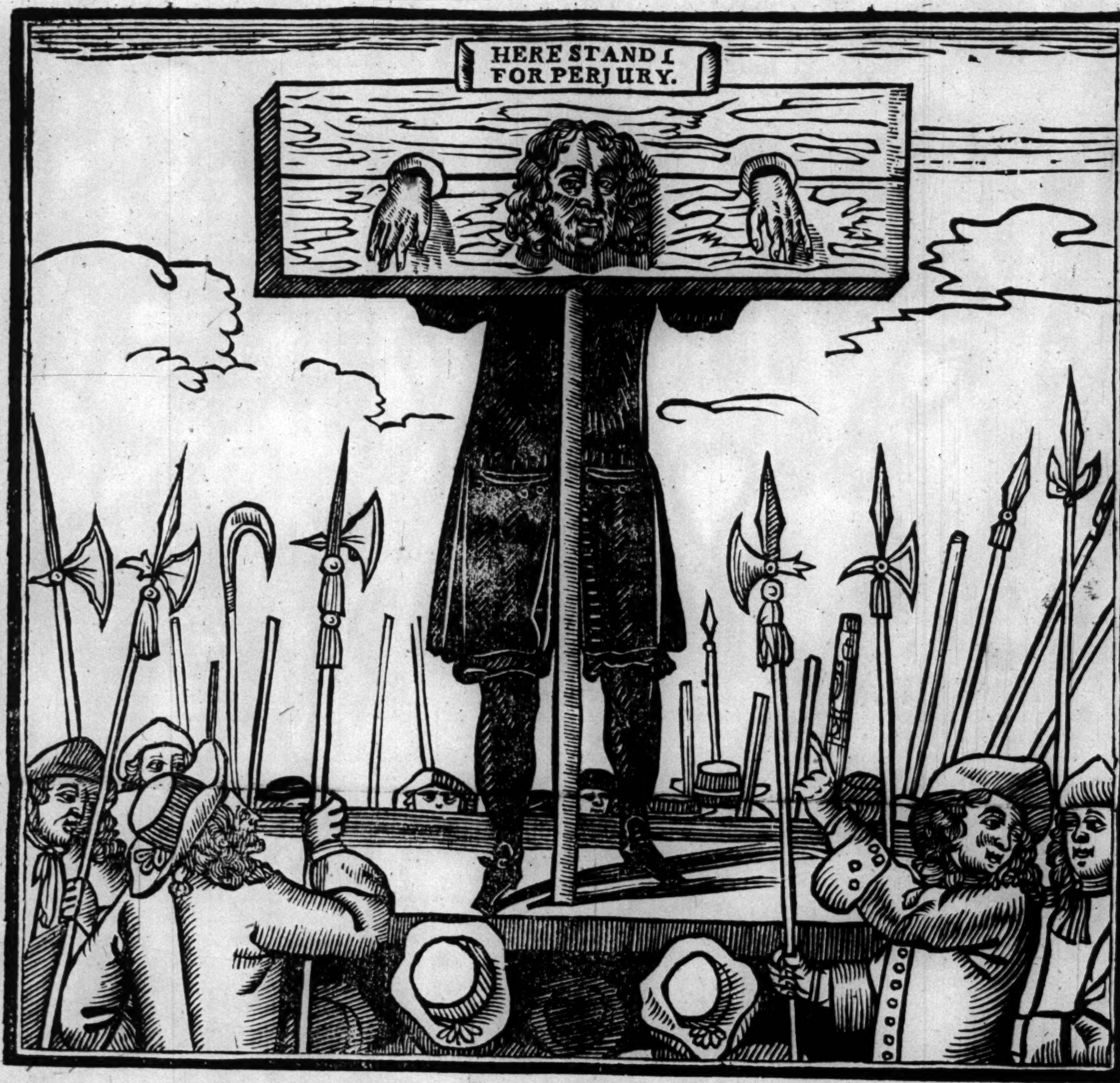
An Account of the PROCEEDING to

Judgment, against *Thomas Saxton*, who Received Sentence at the *King's Bench-Bar*, on *Friday* the 12th. of *February*, 1685. Upon a Conviction of willful Perjury, in For-swearing himself against *Henry Lord Delameer*, Barron of *Meer*, in the County of *Cheshire*, &c.

Amongst all the Projects and Contrivings of wicked Men; none are so dangerous as those of insinuating their Fellow Creatures by false Oaths; nothing so horrid & Detestable, as to make the Justice of the Nation the Executor of their Revenge, or Advantage, as in Case of Perjury, it has of late been too sadly manifested, and had not an expedient been found to put a stop to the Carrier of those Consciences, or at least to their effects; who bagged not at the blackest Falshoods. What Streams of Innocent Blood, had been by this time

shed? What Iniquity of that kind had been left unpracticed? But God, whose peculiar Care it is, to protect the Innocent, Winks not at such Villany nor leaves it unpunished, in this World has been Evident; but to pass over former Perjuries and Perjurors, whom Justice has made exemplar: I shall proceed to give the Reader an Account of one lately Committed, and of the due Punishment the Law has directed to be inflicted upon the false Swearer; which take as followeth,

Thomas Saxton (a Person taken in the late *Western* Rebellion) amongst other Persons) having accused *Henry Lord Delameer*, Barron of *Meer* in the County of *Cheshire*, of High-Treason, in Conspiring the Death of the King, by Leavying War and Raising Rebellion, &c. The said Lord was thereupon Apprehended, and Committed to the *Tower of London*; and taking his Tryal, upon an Indictment found upon the Oath of *Saxton*, he was by his Peers acquitted in the open Hall of *Westminster*, upon the 14th. of *January* last; and upon that Tryal, it appearing that *Saxton* was Perjured; an Information was exhibite against him by his Majesty's Special Com-



mand for willful Perjury, and he upon his Arraignment pleading not Guilty, was on the 8th. of *February*, a second time brought to the *King's Bench-Bar*; and there putting himself upon the Jury for his Tryal, the Juror upon full proof of his manifest Perjury, found him Guilty, without going from the Bar, whereupon he was Remanded to *Newgate*, and from thence on the 12th. of *February*, brought by a Rule of Court, in order to receive his Sentence, where having nothing material to offer in his own Defence, after he

had been heard to what ever he pretended on that occasion, the Court proceeded to pass Sentence, as thus,

That he the said *Thomas Saxton* for his willful Perjury, of which he had been fairly and fully Convicted, should stand on and in the Pillory, on *Saturday* the 13th. of *February* before *Westminster Hall*. On the 15th. of *February*, to stand on and in the Pillory at *Temple Bar*. On the 16th. of *February*, to be Whipt at the Carts Tail, from *Ludgate* to *Westminster*. On the 17th. to stand on and in the Pillory, before the *Royal Exchange*. On the 19th. to be Whipt from *Newgate* to *Tyburn* and Fined Five Hundred Marks.

And thus, we see Justice meet with those, that seek by unlawful ways the Ruin of others, whether through Malice, or by an incitement to self preservation;

FINIS.

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